

Northern New England MMRS

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How is the NNE MMRS different?

- First MMRS in the country to build a system for a multi-state region
- First MMRS to focus on a predominantly rural region



Who is the NNE MMRS?

The NNE MMRS is composed of **stakeholders from all three states.** (Public Health, Public Safety, Emergency Management, Hospitals, Professional Associations, etc.)

Individuals participate as part of the Steering Committee, a State Development Team, a State Advisory Committee, and/or as members of a State's Medical Strike Team.

What will the system look like?

The NNE MMRS will focus on three areas

- 1. Cooperative Planning and Needs Assessments**
leading to plans being developed and implemented as part of a regional system
- 2. Cooperative Regional Education, Training, and Exercising**
leading to increased procedural interoperability, improved operational relationships, and enhanced capacity throughout the region
- 3. Development and Training of a Medical Response Team**

Is there an operational component?

However, there are operational components to the project including:

- 1) Medical Strike Teams in each State
- 2) NNE MMRS pharmaceutical cache
- 3) The Steering Committee may choose to designate specific regional operations to be coordinated through the NNE MMRS.

Local community response-critical aspects

- Planning committee true representation of the response community
- Authority to plan, exercise, and respond
- Funding stream
- Plan to motivate and sustain operations
- Local Emergency Planning Councils (LEPC) may evolve beyond their Hazardous response planning responsibilities

Potential Problems

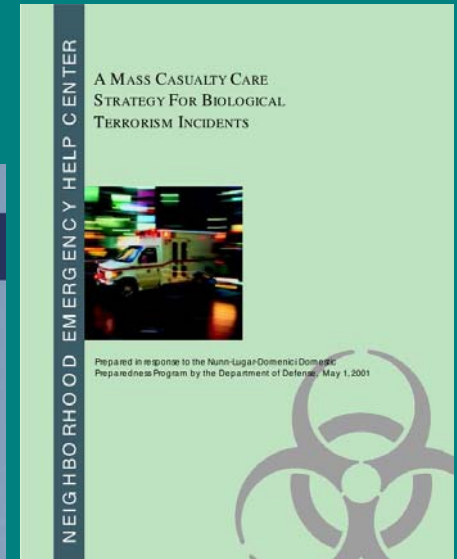
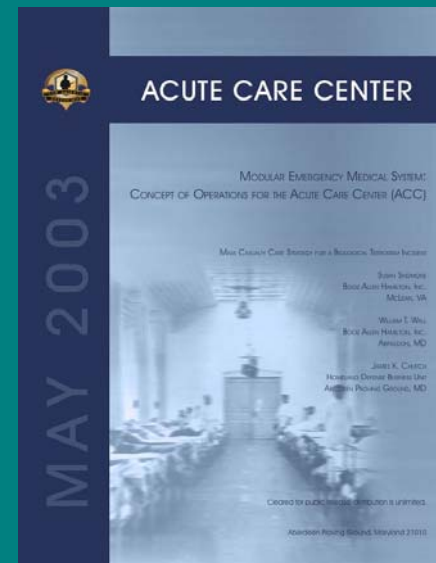
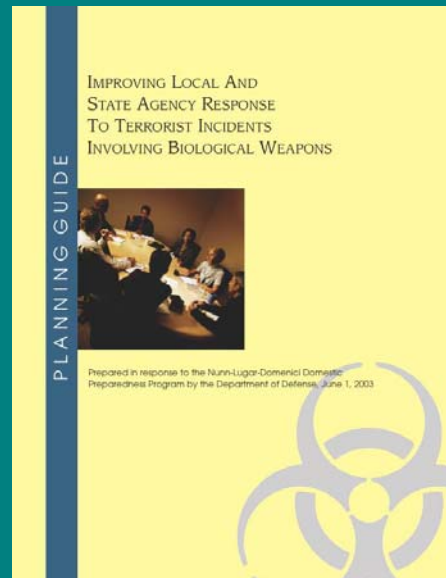
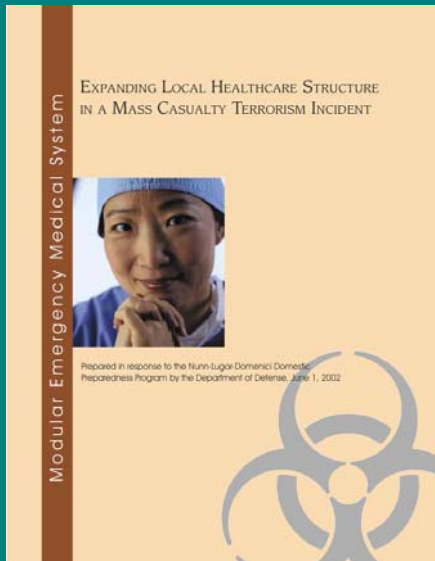
- Reliance on outside resources may replace initial community's response to carry out appropriate initial response
- Resources may already be committed
- There may be geographical or political barriers to the identification of communities or regions.

Critical aspects of local community response

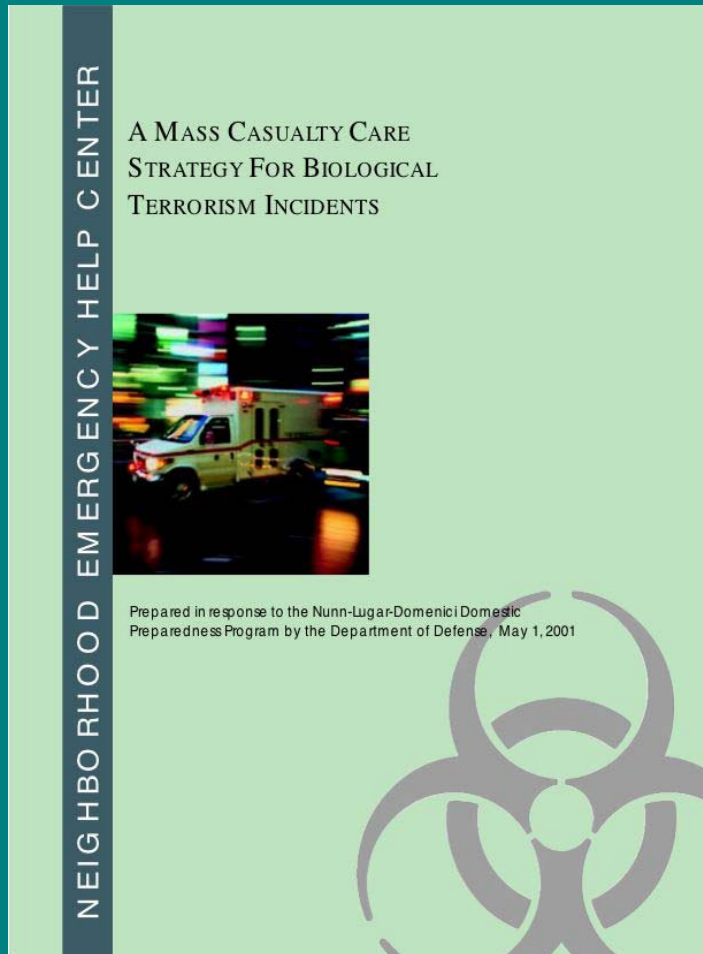
- Describe community-Functional Response Community (FRC)
- Describe common protocols/functions/structures and resources-ACC, NEHC, Decon, forward movement of patients
- Incorporate ICS, Command and Control
- Communications
- Common planning
- Exercises and drills
- GIS mapping of sites/resources

NNE MMRS and MEMS

The NNE MMRS encourages communities to use the mass care facility models outlined in the Modular Emergency Medical System publications from SBCCOM, as they develop their mass care and surge capacity plans.



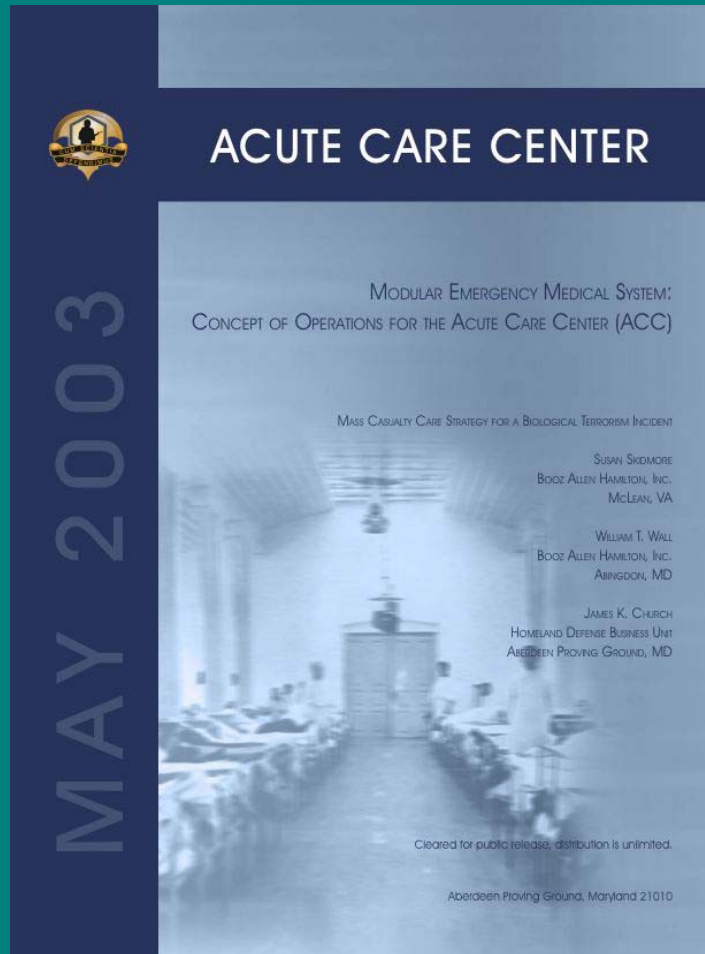
Neighborhood Emergency Help Center



Guidelines for using existing out-of-hospital facilities to provide care and information to asymptomatic and non-critical patients.

Can be tailored and scaled to meet local needs with local resources.

Acute Care Center



Guidelines for using existing out-of-hospital facilities to provide surge capacity for inpatient treatment of patients not requiring advanced life support or ventilation.

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